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THE JOKE WAS ON COM-MISSIONER BRADSHAW

And While He Did Not Relish It Yet He Was Given Its Full Force and Effect

And All of the Present Administration at Jefferson City Helped to Mix the Medicine

D'jever go up against a joke—a real one—and not know it?

Or—perhaps did you ever go up against a joke and feel that you had gotten all of the sour and musty part and the joker all of the laugh and good feeling? If you ran against the last preceding you know just how Col. James T. Bradshaw, now ex-state grain and warehouse commissioner for the great state of Missouri, feels, for he has just emerged from the shadows of a joke that was deep—monumental—and "bitney" at the rear end—and the usually urbane colonel had hold of the extreme tail end of that "bitney" joke—the end that like the small boy at the extreme of the "whip cracker" line was attached to, and where he like the small boy was flung headlong far and wide from his last base of supplies.

How the Joke Started
Of course all jokes have a starting point, and in the case of Bradshaw there was a start—and a poignant and bitter end. When the ballots were counted at the last election it was found that the Democrats did not have enough votes to know that they were running—in fact they were as scarce as is the real old stuff in these days of Col. Macdonald's raids—and as a result the other fellows—the gops took full possession of all of the machinery of government—and they have hung on with a death grip ever since—and just at this point is where Col. Bradshaw did not see the beginning of that joke which was then in process of formation.

Of course when the gop boys found that they had it all their own way they decided that Col. Bradshaw's office to which he had been appointed for a term ending in 1923, would look better in charge of a loyal gop, and they then and there decided to annex it—and they "shored it"—and that is another part of the joke.

How It Was Worked
And right at once the gop boys added to that joke on Bradshaw by having him summoned on Monday the 13th (mark even the fatal date) to appear before Gov. Hyde on that day and before that judge, prosecuting attorney and jury "defend himself" against a "few little charges"—which might as well have been momentous as far as Bradshaw was concerned—and right there they worked the rest of the joke to a deep dark brown—and the joke was complete—on Bradshaw—for of course he lost—as under the circumstances there was no other thing for him to do. When the "trial"—as it was jokingly referred to—was over, Gov. Hyde concluded the joke by finding him guilty of "inefficiency, neglect of duty, and misconduct in office," and the tail of the joke was that he was "fired."

Had His Man Ready
Of course Bradshaw when he learned the day before his "trial" that his successor had been selected; that the latter had been ordered to take charge at once or as soon as the "trial" was over, and not wait for Bradshaw to go to the supreme court, for a rehearing—and that all arrangements were complete for keeping a force of inspectors at work in case Bradshaw's men refused to go on under a new inspector—Bradshaw could not conveniently feel that "all was well with his case," and that the joke was not on him—for all of these "preparations" had been made and were common property—so common in fact that the newspapers of Saturday and Sunday previous printed them.

Of course Bradshaw deep down in his heart felt that he would like to win—but he didn't.

As soon as the "trial" was over and Bradshaw discovered that the joke was on him, Gov. Hyde filed his findings with the secretary of state and appointed Thomas J. Hedrick, of Buckner, Jackson county, as Bradshaw's successor. Hedrick was instructed to take charge of the state grain inspection office in Kansas City as soon as he qualified, and not to wait until Bradshaw went to the supreme court for a re-hearing, as the

deposed warehouse commissioner has indicated he would.

Hedrick is a Republican state committeeman from Jackson county and now a member of the state board of agriculture. He is a farmer and a grain dealer. He was a leader in the Republican fight in Jackson county last year which resulted in taking control of the party organization away from the North Side boss faction.

Bradshaw's commission, issued under the former Democratic administration, expires in April, 1923.

Yep—the joke's on Brad—and good and hard.

JUST LIKE CAL

And He Always Makes Good, No Matter If It Is Even as Chaplain.

W. C. (Cal) Pierce of Maryville, one of the real hustling citizens of the metropolis of Nodaway county, who is well and favorably known all over Missouri, always makes good, no matter what he takes a chance at—and he made good as chaplain in this instance told in the Democrat-Forum, which says:

"W. C. Pierce was host at a picnic today when the Board of Managers of the State Hospital No. 2, of which he is a member, were honor guests. The picnic was an event in connection with the regular board meeting, the latter also being held this morning on the picnic grounds at the Ned Busby farm, eight miles southwest of Maryville.

"When asked in regard to the plans for the day, the host replied with a grin on his face:

"We're going to raise hell and I'm going to be the chaplain."

"Mr. and Mrs. Pierce and the guests left Maryville in cars about 9:30 o'clock for their outing, the feature of which was the big dinner at noon with Charlie Martin as chef."

THEY DENOUNCED SIMS

The Monthly Admiral's Remarks Are Handed Without Gloves by Local Irish Patriots.

Could the English loving Admiral Sims been in the Knights of Columbus hall Wednesday night, it is safe to say that he would have been glad to escape with his reputation in tatters. The members of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic met en masse and after listening to eloquent patriotic addresses by Rev. Michael Grace, Rev. J. D. O'Donnell, James W. Mytton and Richard Duncan in which Admiral Sims' brutal attack on the Irish people was denounced, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"Resolved: By the Thomas McCurran branch of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic,

"That we condemn the unpatriotic and un-American remarks of Admiral Sims made in a foreign land about the three millions of true American citizens of Irish birth and Irish descent who have freely given their blood in America's cause.

"We further condemn the fawning and sycophantic conduct of Admiral Sims to curry favor with British aristocracy which is revolting to all liberty-loving people."

Edward C. Burke presided at the meeting, and in introducing the speakers made some most interesting and timely remarks.

LOGAN ESTATE IS WORTH \$85,000

Joseph Morton, attorney for the Logan Estate, on Thursday made an estimate in probate court of the estate of the late Milton T. Logan, whose dead body was found in the bathroom of his home last Monday. He estimated that the total would be about \$85,000 on which there is an incumbrance on account of the Logan Investment Co. of \$25,000, leaving a net estate of \$60,000. Nothing new has developed regarding the manner of his death.

REILLY REMEMBERS WELL

Pays His Respects to That "Scurrious Sheet," the Kansas City Star, in No Uncertain Language.

E. Mont Reilly of Kansas City, who won out and was appointed governor of Porto Rico, has not yet left for his post of duty, but is now in Washington helping some of the other boys to land plums. His appointment has so peeved that "scurrious sheet," as he calls the Star, that it cannot say anything too mean of President write to the Kansas City Post as follows:

"I have a good memory, politically, especially, and I remember this paper's vicious attacks on William McKinley, in the beginning of the campaign of 1896. I also remember its abuse and years of attacks on the old Union soldiers and the pensions allowed them. I also remember its unwarranted attacks on President Wilson the past eight years. I remember its attacks on Senator Spencer before his nomination. I remember its attacks on Senator Reed, year after year, and last, but not least, I also remember its constant and continual assaults on President Harding for many months before his nomination.

"There was not a single Democratic paper in America that made these attacks on our great president, but it was left for this alleged independent scandal monger to call President Harding 'a professional poker player,' a 'hearse driver,' and a man who was 'always on the fence, and when he came down he always came down on both sides.' I remember that this is also the paper that supported Germany in the World War until it was made so warm for the editor that he had to face about to save himself and his property."

NEXT CONVENTION HERE

Catholic Order of Foresters Select St. Joseph as Meeting Place for 1922.

The Missouri-Kansas jurisdiction of the Catholic Order of Foresters held its annual convention at Maryville this week. It was largely attended. At the election of officers St. Joseph was also selected as the next meeting point in June, 1922. John Cunerty and Frank Staedler of this city were chosen as delegates to the international meeting at Minneapolis in August. The officers selected for the coming year are:

Chief ranger, R. T. Raney, St. Joseph; vice-chief ranger, Charles Buhler, Maryville; secretary, A. J. Felling, St. Joseph; treasurer, J. J. Giller, St. Joseph; spiritual advisor, the Rev. Father Bolger, St. Joseph; trustees, K. N. Lillig and J. G. Landerman, Kansas City, Kan.; P. A. McKenna and George C. Fetti, Kansas City, Mo.; M. S. Fogarty, John Cunerty and William Coile, St. Joseph.

A GRAND JURY

Judge Utz Calls a Special Inquisitorial Body to Meet June 27th.

While there are yet a few days left, the middle of the week following next will likely witness some exciting "gettings-out-of-town," and a decided rush of many to take their "summer vacations." This all comes about from the fact that on Tuesday Judge Utz ordered Sheriff Kueker to summon a special grand jury to meet Monday, June 27, to "investigate conditions in St. Joseph and Buchanan county."

That investigation of "conditions in Buchanan county" means a great deal to the initiated and will explain many an enforced vacation and a sudden desire of people to get a hustle on "that vacation."

ALDERMAN GROSSER WANTS CHEAPER GAS

In his reply to the letter of Mayor Marshall, Alderman H. E. Grosser suggests that Mayor Marshall wants war, while he (Grosser) is favorable only to results. He suggests a proposal to supply the city with gas at \$1 or less per thousand; a reduction in street railway rates; and a reduction in light and power rates, is what is needed.

COLE DIES FROM HIS INJURIES

John B. Cole, fifty-two years of age, one of the employees of the St. Joseph Stone Co., whose quarry is near Savannah, died at a local hospital early Sunday morning, as a result of the explosion of a dynamite blast Saturday. The remains were taken to Amazonia Monday where services were held and the remains buried Monday afternoon.

DEMAND THAT HE BE ASKED TO COME HOME

THE WAR MOTHERS DO NOT RELISH THE SPEECH THAT HARVEY MADE

IN WHICH HE TOLD WHY "WE GOT IN THE WAR"

Senator McKellar of Tennessee Also Takes Off Several Yards of the Outlets of the Offending Statesman. He following the Lead Laid Down by Congressman Stevenson Who Told What He Thought of the Representative to the Court of St. James in Polished Language But That Had Much Biting Capability.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—(Special Correspondence.)—Ambassador Harvey, from whose name the title of column appears to have been dropped since Congressman Stevenson asserted in the House that it was given to him at a banquet, has received another severe castigation in the Senate, this time by Senator McKellar (Dem., Tenn.), who said, among other things, concerning the statements in Ambassador Harvey's speech at the Pilgrims' Society dinner:

"They constitute a libel against the government of the United States. They constitute a denigration of nearly one hundred thousand young men who gave up their lives on the battlefields of France. They are an insult to every one of the nearly 5,000,000 soldiers who enlisted in that great conflict. They constitute a wanton libel upon the patriotic men and women of this country. They are the words of a craven and a syphiant."

He (Harvey) is not a fit representative of either our government or its people. I protest against his being retained, and I again express the earnest and patriotic hope that

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DIED FROM OVERHEAT

Martin L. Spencer, Former Sheriff of This County, Passes Away in Nevada.

It was sad news which reached here Tuesday through a telegram received by Ben L. Helmley from Goldfield, Nevada, which announced the death at that place of Martin L. Spencer, former sheriff of this county and the nephew of Judge O. M. Spencer. The widow, Mrs. Della A. Spencer, lives at 1710 Pavaon street. Two sons, Harold and John, also survive him. The deceased had spent almost all of his life here and was respected and honored by a very large circle of friends. His father was James L. (Fay) Spencer, a member of a pioneer family.

The telegram did not give much in the way of detail. His death occurred at Silver Peak near Goldfield, where Mr. Spencer was engaged in mining, and was the result of a heat stroke. The remains will be brought here for burial.

JUDGE DUNCAN'S LAST STORY

Judge A. B. Duncan, who in his capacity as high muck-muck of the Eagles traveled all over the country, and now is obliged to go on lecture tours at most frequent intervals, hears and retains many a good story. This is his last one:

A Swede came down from the woods and entering a saloon, called for a drink of good old squirrel whiskey. Said the bartender:

"We've all out of squirrel whiskey, but we've got some Old Crow."

"Yudas Priest!" exclaimed the Swede. "I do not want to fly, I yood want to hop around a little."

TO HOLD UP REFERENDUM PETITIONS

It is stated that the gop administration at Jefferson City is so fearful of the results that the referendum will produce, that a desperate attempt will be made today to hold them up. The method it is said will be to serve an injunction on Secretary of State Becker, alleging the petitions are fraudulent. All manner of silly stories have been started by gops to discredit them, among others claiming negroes had been told the petitions were to cheapen the price of booze.

Harry Williams was arrested Thursday night as he came out of the Barnes Electrical Shop. He was captured by Clifford Bowman and Opal Ross, who heard him as they passed.

WAS SIMS OUTSIDE OF ROOM 404?

To the Editor of The Observer:
The administration is very properly calling Admiral Sims to account for his speech, but one cannot but wonder why Sims was called to account and Harvey permitted to go without reprimand. Could it be possible that Harvey was in room 404 and Sims was not?

W. N. LINN.

77 GRADUATED

The St. Joseph Business University Turns Out a Large Class on Thursday Night.

The auditorium at the St. Joseph Veterinary College was crowded to its utmost capacity Thursday evening, when that well known institution, the St. Joseph Business University, held its graduation exercises, and seventy-seven young ladies and gentlemen were graduated.

The programme was a pleasing one, and was well rendered.

The officers of the class are: Edward McCarthy, president; Dorothy Gillis, vice-president; Paul Elders, secretary; Hilda Leak, treasurer. The graduates are: Anna Anderson, Ethel Bosco, Pauline Brooks, Mary Byrne, Frank Barczak, Beulah Bentley, Lester Cain, Pauline Calhoun, Esther Carlson, Genetta Calhoun, Opal Calhoun, Jacob Ceverin, Esther Chaney, Raymond Cobb, Helen Cope, Katherine David, Alvin Denton, Earl DeShon, Faye DeShon, Honora Downey, Aline Egger, Paul Elder, Marie Falkenbach, Ruth Gillip, Dorothy Gillis, Fredericka Haebler, Waive Hawk, Elmer Henton, Lucille Highsmith, Frances Houston, Waunita Jolly, Emma Joestmeyer, Edward Kirschner, Edward Kurz, Jewell Kurtz, Hilda Leak, Beatrice Lamar, Beale Limberg, Nellie Limberg, Mabel Marget, Cora Mallen, Audrey Mauey, Edward McCarthy, Helen McDonald, Elsie McQueen, J. C. Miller, Josephine Mosteller, Inez Mosteller, Edna Mehrwein, Walter Merkle, William Melike, Beatrice Monaghan, Walter Monk, Hazel Montgomery, Kasim Morad, Juanita Nichols, Ida Nielson, Phyllis Orr, Bonnie Pritchard, Nellie B. Quinn, Mrs. Ivy Randall, Cora Raymond, Clara Reinhardt, Wilma Roberts, Ruby Robertson, Frank Rochembeau, Lillian Rudeman, Deva Sampson, Fern Slezzer, Doris Tarvin, Amy Telleson, Hazel Uber, Bertha Vendelboe, Clarence Vey, Mary Woods, Ethel Welch, Lewis Yates.

TO PAVE AVENUE

The Last Peg Is Knocked Out From Under Those Who Object to Paving.

The last prop was knocked from under those who are opposed to paving Frederick avenue from Eighth to Twenty-sixth streets, Tuesday, when the court of appeals refused to rehear the case of the city against Louis H. Cox in which the city won. As soon as the mandate is received the contracts will be let.

The litigation has now been in progress for over two years, and during that time the condition of the avenue has become so bad that travel is almost negligible. The citizens of that thoroughfare should now see that the jitneys help to pay those paving bills which must now be met.

KNOCKS OUT POLICE RELIEF FEES

On Wednesday the law passed by the last legislature went into effect and no more will the Police Relief Association collect 50 cents from each person released on bond, the amount going to the Relief Association. While the discontinuance of the collection of this amount will hurt relief funds for the association, it will be a relief to the person taken in who was obliged to dig up fifty cents at any time that he was arrested. Other means will now be sought to keep up the receipts of the Police Relief Association, which amounted to about \$2,000 a year from this source.

THE PASSING OF MRS. McCABE

After having lived here almost all of her life Mrs. Elizabeth F. C. McCabe, widow of Michael J. McCabe, for many years city engineer of St. Joseph, died at her home in Summit Place Monday, after a lingering illness. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. F. C. O'Donoghue and Miss Rosa McCabe.

It cost Jake Slaughter \$5 in police court Tuesday for jay parking.

SEN. REED PERTINENT IN HIS REMARKS

HE DENOUNCES IN NO UNCERTAIN TERMS PROPOSED GOVERNMENT CONTROL

SAYS THAT IT NEVER COULD PROVE SOUND

In a Speech Which Bristled With Facts and Delivered in a Way That Only the Senior Missouri Senator Can Command the Big House Which Greeted Him Heard Senator Reed Tell Them Why He Was Satisfied That the Government Could Not Successfully Control Business.

The fact that Senator James A. Reed of this state is looked upon as one of the great men of the nation was fully demonstrated here on Thursday night, when the capacity of the Lyceum was tested to accommodate the throng who loudly cheered the telling points of Senator Reed who spoke under the auspices of the Commerce Club, against government control of industries as exemplified in the packer control bill now before Congress. That his audience saw a great light after it had listened to Senator Reed was manifested by the applause, and by the various comments and statements of his hearers at the conclusion of the meeting.

Senator Reed reached here late in the afternoon and was met at the Robidoux by a committee of business men with whom he dined. Senator Reed looks well and is feeling well. As the occasion of his visit here was non-partisan, he laughingly declined to talk politics. While here many of the most prominent of the Democrats of the city called upon him at his rooms, and he held a short reception in the hotel lobby. It was noticeable that many Democrats here who a short time ago were loudly declaiming against the senator, were among the first to meet him and extend their cordial greetings.

No Limit to the Power

In referring to the packer control bill and similar measures he classed them as schemes that would produce a government oligarchy of Socialism carried to the extreme, and against which he wanted to go on record as voicing his most vehement protest, for he said that it would destroy the right of the citizen to engage in business and control it under the law, and that if the new principle of government control was accepted that there would be no limit to the power of such control over the entire business of the land. In this line he called attention to that part of the measure which would vest the power of control in the president, a cabinet officer or a commissioner, and said:

"Let us consider a moment, who are these cabinet officers and commissioners. They generally, let us concede, are men of fair ability, but certainly none of them possessed of miraculous power. I entertain a high regard for the secretary of agriculture, who is charged with the enforcement of the packer bill. He has been the editor of a farm paper and has told, in the columns of his paper, the most experienced farmer how to raise corn, but if he would go out to do it himself, I fear he would meet with a frost. Will the secretary of agriculture, who is armed with drastic power, personally attend to this business? The answer must be an unqualified no. He will be forced to gather around him an army of employees. Who will these men be? We find the answer in the history of what has occurred. These agents will be, for the most part ne-er-do-wells, who have drifted to Washington, who have been capable of earning only a fair salary at home, and who have left their homes in search of political

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DEATH CLAIMED W. R. STANLEY

There passed from earth's care on Friday forenoon a man who while he did not figure often in the public prints or on the tongues of men, yet was one whom those who knew him will sadly miss, and whose loss comes to them as a calamity. W. R., better and lovingly known to his friends as "Bert" Stanley, died at 9 a. m. at his home, 2929 Jones street, after a lingering illness. He was eighty-six years of age, and each one of those years had been spent in doing good.

R. Meierhoffer of Miami, Fla., is home here for a four months' stay.

AFTER TOMORROW

Recorder Harry Yates Will Have Added Duties When Marriage Licenses Are Asked For.

After tomorrow County Recorder Harry Yates will have added duties, and the people who want to get married will also have added requirements made of them. On Sunday (tomorrow) the new marriage law will go into effect and he must ask many more questions and record them before the license can be issued, so that the courts may have full information.

Among the numerous questions to be asked and filled out on the blanks by the recorder are: Are either or both of you feeble minded, mentally imbecile, epileptic? If one or both of the applicants answer in the affirmative the license can not be issued; neither can it be issued if the clerk believes that either party to the marriage contract comes within either of the troubles objected to.

The law is no respecter of persons and the recorder or marriage license clerk must ask the questions of all applicants, whether they are his most intimate friends or whether they belong to his own family.

WAS FOUND DEAD

The Body of Milton T. Logan Is Found in the Bathroom at His Residence.

It was a considerable shock to the many friends of Milton T. Logan, when it was learned Sunday afternoon that his dead body had been found in the bathroom of his apartment, 521 North Sixth street, at 4 p. m. that day. The gas jet was open, the room tightly closed and the body lay on a pallet in the bathroom. Coroner Timmerman believes it was a case of suicide, but there is so far no reason shown why he should take his life.

On Saturday Logan had attended a social function, and retired at 11 p. m. that night. That was the last seen of him alive. He was one of the best known young men of the city, and liked by all. He is survived by John S., Frank P., Thomas, Charles and Louis Logan, brothers. The funeral occurred Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Bunyon McLeod of the First Presbyterian church.

CHARLES CLAYTON'S FLIVVER STOLEN

The Ford car belonging to C. B. Clayton, who clerks in the St. Joseph post office, was taken from his garage on Market street Monday morning. Mrs. Ed. Stephens, who lives across the alley west, heard the car leave the garage at about 3 o'clock and heard a little dog barking and following the car through the alley west and north to Market street.

Sheriff Evans traced the car east on Market street to the Presbyterian church where it turned south on the West St. Joseph road and continued. It was easily traced as it was the only car that had gone over the road after the shower.—Savannah Reporter.

MRS. SPILLMAN GIVEN A \$2,500 VERDICT

After a jury had wrestled with the case for about an hour in Judge Allen's division for \$2,500 against Mrs. Jennie Freymann, the milliner of 629 Felix street, a verdict was given in favor of Mrs. Lillie Spillman, who had sued Mrs. Freymann for \$10,000 damages for slander and assault. Mrs. Spillman with her sister had gone into Mrs. Freymann's to buy a hat, which the sister put on and accidentally walked away with, when Mrs. Freymann assaulted her.

SUDDEN DEATH OF HENRY SAMPSON

Without warning, Henry Sampson, one of the well known farmers of the DeKalb vicinity, fell dead Monday forenoon. He was the son of John Sampson, a pioneer resident of the county, and was born here. In early days he conducted a mill on Contrary Creek near DeKalb. He was seventy-nine years of age, and is survived by his son, Walter B. Sampson, and three daughters, Mrs. Bertie Dittmore, Mrs. Fannie Riley and Miss Annie Sampson.

JOHN ALBIS ENJOYING CONVENTION

A message received Thursday from John Albis, who was in attendance at the convention of the Advertising Clubs at Atlanta, Ga., said that the St. Joseph contingent was having the time of their lives and that Southern hospitality could not be equalled.